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C O N F I D E N T I A L ALGIERS 0924

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, AG

SUBJ: ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES FOR CRUDE OIL FOR U.S. STRATEGIC PET-  
ROLEUM RESERVE

REF: STATE 70969

1. DOD QUALITY ASSURANCE PERSONNEL WOULD NEED SONATRACH AGREEMENT TO THEIR VISITS. IF IT IS DECIDED TO PURCHASE ALGERIAN CRUDE ON AN ORIGIN BASIS, WE WOULD, OF COURSE, REQUEST SONATRACH CONCURRENCE BUT WE ARE NOT SURE HOW REQUEST WOULD BE RECEIVED. IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT ALGERIANS WOULD BE AS UNRECEPTIVE AS LIBYANS EXPECTED TO BE, ALTHOUGH WE WILL NOT KNOW FOR SURE UNTIL WE ASK.

2. ONE POSSIBILITY MIGHT BE TO MAKE VISIT ARRANGEMENTS AT SAME TIME PURCHASE CONTRACT SIGNED IF SELLER IS SONATRACH RATHER THAN BROKER, TRADER OR PRIVATE OIL COMPANY. IN THIS CASE SONATRACH WOULD HAVE AN INTEREST IN AGREEING TO VISIT IN ORDER TO CLINCH THE SALE. IF SELLER IS OTHER THAN SONATRACH, WE COULD SIMPLY ASK FOR SONATRACH AGREEMENT TO VISIT AND HOPE FOR THE BEST.

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